# PROGRAMMATIC REGULATIONS WORKSHOP DRAFT REPORT October 9, 2001

#### A. INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this workshop was to allow the Water Resources Advisory Commission (WRAC) to play a meaningful and constructive role in the development of the Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan (CERP) Programmatic Regulations by identifying key policy issues associated with Programmatic Regulations. The facilitated portion of the meeting was designed to define the scope of the work that needs to be accomplished by the Commission and develop potential options for addressing each of the issues. The workshop was not meant to identify individual member opinions and/or preferences.

This document reports on the results of the facilitated session and documents the proceedings of that portion of the meeting. A copy of the minutes is attached.

## B. WORKSHOP RESULTS

The following seven groups of Programmatic Regulations issues resulted from the facilitated portion of the workshop. The group determined that the list of issues reflected in this section pertain to Programmatic Regulations.

After the categories were created and before further detailed discussion of them, members were provided an opportunity to comment on the issues which had been separated for future discussion. Their individual thoughts are included in the comment section following each of the lists and do not represent the consensus of the group.

The group did not have enough time to complete the day's agenda and did not identify options for handling any of the issues nor spend any time identifying what should be the next steps in this process.

## 1. INTENT LANGUAGE

## A. Issues

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#### B. Comments

- Define what "new" water means under section of Intent Language.
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## 2. AMOUNT OF DETAIL IN PROGRAMMATIC REGULATIONS

### A. Issues

- Programmatic Regulations should provide guidance & consistency to CERP implementation.
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## **4. INTERIM GOALS** (May be changed as to wording)

#### A. Issues

- Shared Adversity.
- Regional attenuation that is fair for all users (Storage).
- Definition of shared adversity.

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## 5. ADAPTIVE ASSESSMENT

### A. Issues

- Interim goals in regulations.
- Assurance of sufficient water for natural environment.
- Assurances to existing users must be incorporated into interim goals.
- Fundamental importance of performance goals these should drive process goals.
- Interim goals progress vs. performance.
- Include water supply (agricultural/urban) in interim goals.
- Integrated water quality compliance into Programmatic Regulations.
- Interim goals should be achievable.
- How can performance measures be integrated into Programmatic Regulations (hydrological and/or ecological performance measures)?
- Interim goals should be exercised in a separate enforcement agreement (Incorporated into previous statement).
- Interim goals in regulation or another document (Incorporated into previous statement).

#### **B.** Comments

- Process for how to take new information and incorporate into decision process and into plan itself.
- Consistent with Water Resources Development Act (WRDA).
- Must be in regulations. All interested parties need to have input.
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- Performance goals important.
- Adaptive management in addition to assessment.
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## 6. Restoration Coordination and Verification Team(s) (RECOVER)

## A. Issues

- Regulations should set forth process that protects the scientific integrity of RECOVER.
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## **B.** Comments

- Good science and good review outside peer review process needed!
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- RECOVER defines what CERP and WRDA should be.
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- Inclusive of broader group of people than the agencies currently included.
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- Science needs to be insulated and objective and it needs to insulate itself in making policy decisions.
- Timing of Programmatic Regulations (This category was eliminated because it was procedural in nature.)

## A. Issues

- Allow enough time in the process.
- Allow adequate time to develop Programmatic Regulations.

# C. PROGRAMMATIC REGULATIONS WORKSHOP ISSUES TABLE

Legend – "G" = Green Dot

"R" = Red Dot

"New" = New item added to list

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Intent language regarding 50% of restoration by 2010	24	G
Intent language of 80% of new water to be available for natural system	51	G
Amount of Detail in Programmatic Regulations		
Programmatic regulations should provide guidance and consistency to CERP implementation	11	G
Programmatic regulations should outline the process involved	6	G
Scope of regulation	7	G
Accountability	59	G
Periodic review and consultation with agencies after PIR completion's.	10	G
Scope, Timing of Reservation/Allocations		_
How to identify water for the natural system	41	G
How do we deal with uncertainty continuum?	54	G
Amount of water reserved vs. actual amount - what to do?	28	G
How will we implement the savings clause?	21	G
Transition from existing sources of new CERP sources	45	G
Ensure early adoption of water reservations to protect supplies for restoration of sustainable ecosystem	46	G
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Water allocation "new" water is regional system water	37	G
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Quantitative water allocation should not be attempted in the regulations	36	G
How can President/Governor allocate water over tribal lands?	57	G
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New water should be placed in a regional system and reserved through reservations	40	G
Interim Goals		
Shared adversity Shared adversity	3	G
Definition of shared adversity	13	G
Regional attenuation that is fair for all users	30	G
Adaptive Assessment	_	
Interim goals - in regulations	5	G
Assurances of sufficient water for the natural environment	22	new
Assurances to existing users must be incorporated into interim goals	23	
Fundamental importance of performance goals – these should drive process goals.	15	G
Interim goals progress vs. Performance	17	G
Including water supply (agricultural/urban) in interim goals	29	G
Integrated water quality compliance into Programmatic Regulations	49	G
Interim goals should be achievable		new

Interim goals in pro regulations or another document	52	G
How can performance measures be integrated into programmatic regulations (hydrological or ecological performance	20	G
measures)?		
Interim goals should be exercised in a separate enforcement agreement	8	G
Protection of projects-3 Prong, financial, cost/benefit, water budget	4	
RECOVER		
Regulations should set forth process that protects the scientific integrity of RECOVER	16	G
Protecting RECOVER from Politics	2	G
Science driven public policy - not the reverse	9	G
Process for identifying alternative projects if new information provides better options	61	
Adaptive assessment has never been done successfully-how are we going to do it in CERP?	14	G
How will reservations be adjusted vs. recover adaptive assessment?	12	G
Provision for integration of outside science review process into CERP adaptive assessment	22	G
Timing of Programmatic Regulations		
Allow enough time in the process (include 2 <sup>nd</sup> comment period)	53	G
Allow adequate time to develop pro regulations – (2 <sup>nd</sup> comment period)	58	G
Received Green and Red Dots/ Not Included		
Detailing state reserved water rights with the CERP process	26	G//R
Performance goals in the regulations	1	G/R
Affordability in balance with natural system	18	G/R
Can public potable water supply be #1 secured reservation?	32	G/R
Process to ensure balance of existing urban population demand	42	G/R
How Consumptive Use Permits (CUPs) will or will not be issued in consideration of CERP Projects	43	G/R
How can a water allocation be made through PIR – unless all users of water are a party to the agreement?	44	G/R
Water quality issues for public water supply by lake communities	47	G/R
Provisions for potential but unused consumption	48	G/R
Tie of water supply plans with/to future land use	50	G/R
Definition of "Consumptive Use"	56	G/R
Red Dots/Not Discussed		
Method of allocation - shared adversity/shared?	27	R
Maintain a restoration plan vs. a water supply plan	31	R
Understanding of Lake Okeechobee as a back-up water supply	33	R
Assurance of sufficient water for natural environment	39	R
Prioritize supplemental storage areas for Lake Okeechobee	62	R
How to identify users that are already damaging natural systems	38	R

## D. THE PROGRAMMATIC REGULATIONS FACILITATION PROCESS

**STEP 1 -** A brainstorming session initiated the session. Members were asked write on strips of paper the issues they thought needed to be incorporated into the Programmatic Regulations (one issue per strip). The pieces of paper were posted on boards located in the front of the room. The following issues were listed during brainstorming session:

- 1. Performance goals in the regulations.
- 2. Protecting RECOVER from Politics.
- 3. Definition of shared adversity.
- 4. Protection of projects-3 Prong, financial, cost/benefit, water budget.
- 5. Interim goals in regulations.
- 6. Programmatic Regulations should outline the process involved.
- 7. Scope of regulation.
- 8. Interim goals should be exercised in a separate enforcement agreement.
- 9. Science driven public policy not the reverse.
- 10. Periodic review and consultation with agencies after PIR completion.
- 11. Programmatic Regulations should provide guidance and consistency to CERP implementation.
- 12. How will reservations be adjusted vs. recover adaptive assessment?
- 13. Definition shared adversity.
- 14. Adaptive assessment has never been done successfully-how are we going to do it in CERP?

- 15. Fundamental importance of performance goals these should drive process goals.
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- 18. Affordability in balance with natural system.
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- 21. How will we implement the savings clause?
- 22. Provision for integration of outside science review process into CERP adaptive assessment.
- 23. Assurances to existing users must be incorporated into interim goals.
- 24. Intent language regarding 50% of restoration by 2010.
- 25. PIR must address projects that make new water and those that take water from regional system.
- 26. Detailing state reserved water rights with the CERP process.
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- 43. How Consumptive Use Permits (CUPs) will or will not be issued in consideration of CERP Projects.
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- 55. Aspirational goals in the intent section of regulations.
- 56. Definition of "Consumptive Use".
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- 58. Allow adequate time to develop pro regulations (2<sup>nd</sup> comment period).
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**STEP 2 -** Members were given green and red dots to identify which issues they thought needed to be included as part of future WRAC discussions on Programmatic Regulations. No attempt was made to combine similar issues identified by WRAC members to ensure that all of the issues would be considered as offered. A green dot meant that the issues pertained to Programmatic Regulations and would be considered for future discussion. A red dot meant the opposite.

**STEP 3 -** The following issues were not included for further discussion because they received only red dots. A decision was made to not discuss them at this time.

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- #31 Maintain a restoration plan vs. a water supply plan.
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**STEP 4 -** These issues received both red & green dots. Some discussion was held but no agreement was sought.

- #1 Performance goals in the Programmatic Regulations.
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**STEP 5** – The remaining Issues (*All of the issues received green dots*) were combined into the following categories:

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# E. WORKSHOP ATTENDANCE

# **Members:**

Ernie Barnett
Mike Bauer
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